# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# RAILWAYS
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CRITERIA FOR INTRODUCTION OF TRAINS
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

(a) the criteria/norms adopted for introduction of trains;

(b) whether demands/requests/representations from various quarters/State Governments are also considered while introduction of trains;

(c) if so, the procedure followed for fulfilment of those demands/requests/representations;

(d) the details of the proposals/demands/representations received from various quarters/State Governments for introduction of new train during the last three years, State-wise; and

(e)the present status of the each demand?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a) to (c) The introduction of new trains is decided on the basis of travel demand, availability of resources and operational feasibility. Proposals for additional train services are finalised at Inter Railway Time Table Committee Meeting every year. These services are introduced during the course of the financial year on availability of the rolling stock, completion of gauge conversion works, development of requisite facilities etc.

(d) & (e) Requests for introduction of new trains are received at different levels of the Railways - Stations, Divisions, Zone, Ministry etc on a continuous basis and become too voluminous to be compiled and are not being maintained in the Ministry. However, these are examined and action, as found feasible and justified, is taken.